

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 9 and 10 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4 and 7 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for recording a digital video and audio data stream wherein recording being carried out on a medium organized in the form of logic blocks in series and comprising a recording and reading head, said process comprising the steps of:

recording data on said medium as a an interleaved pattern of at least one recorded block immediately followed by at least one unrecorded block; and

following the triggering of the reading of the recorded data, alternately reading a continuous series of said previously recorded blocks and continuing the recording of data in said unrecorded blocks ~~immediately following~~ which are interleaved with the blocks being read.

2. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein when the set of blocks recorded before the triggering of reading have been read, recording is continued in contiguous blocks in a non-interleaved ~~interlaced~~ manner.

3. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein when the set of blocks recorded before the triggering of reading have been read, recording is continued in a loop in the blocks previously read.

4. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein when the set of blocks recorded before the triggering of reading have been read, said blocks are read, then rewritten in a non-interleaved ~~interlaced~~ manner.

5. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the recording of data is performed in a group of N contiguous blocks ($N > 1$).

6. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the step of,

detecting sequences of free blocks on the medium for applying said steps of recording and reading.

7. (Currently Amended) A digital television receiver comprising means for receiving a digital audio and video data stream, comprising:

a recording medium furnished with a recording and reading head, said medium being organized in the form of logic blocks in series;

a control circuit for managing the writing and the reading of blocks of the recording medium;

an interfacing circuit for interfacing the recording medium with said control circuit, said control circuit adapted to control the recording of data on said medium as a an interleaved pattern of at least one recorded block immediately followed by at least one unrecorded block and following the triggering of the reading of the recorded data, the alternate reading of a continuous series of said previously recorded blocks and the continuing of the recording of data in said unrecorded blocks ~~immediately following~~ which are interleaved with the blocks being read.

8. (Previously Presented) The receiver as claimed in claim 7, wherein the control circuit instructs the recording of data in a group of N contiguous blocks ($N > 1$).

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)